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In re the application of: Funk *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1653

Serial No.: 09/439,740

Examiner: G. Bugaisky

Filed: November 15, 1999

For: *Recombinant Transferrins, Transferrin  
Half-Molecules and Mutants Thereof*

Attorney Docket No.: UVI-005CP2CNRCE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action (Paper No. 17) dated December 3, 2002. A separate petition for a Request for Continued Examination and the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: